

## House Resolution No. 3705

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those organizations with close ties to the Show-Me State that promote increased quality of life in local communities and neighborhoods through the provision of services and education for persons with disabilities; and

**Whereas**, the Journey of Hope bicycle team of Pi Kappa Phi Fraternity's Push America program embarked on a nationwide journey on June 11, 2008, by leaving Seattle, Washington, on a fund-raising trek to support Push America; and

**Whereas**, the Journey of Hope cyclists were honored at the Missouri State Capitol in Jefferson City on July 23, 2008, on their way to Washington, D.C., where they arrived on August 16, 2008, after having traveled 4,000 miles; and

**Whereas**, the Journey of Hope bicycle team travels from city to city in order to carry a message of acceptance and understanding to the hearts and homes of people across the United States; and

**Whereas**, by bicycling for 4,000 miles, the Journey of Hope team will raise more than \$475,000 to further the cause of Push America and its projects and programs; and

**Whereas**, seven of the twenty-eight cyclists riding as the Journey of Hope team are from Missouri, including Dominick Valenti of Ballwin; and

**Whereas**, it is fitting and proper that the Missouri House of Representatives should pause in its diverse daily activities in order to recognize such important organizations as Push America and its Journey of Hope bicycling team:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the history, goals, and accomplishments associated with Pi Kappa Phi Fraternity's Push America program and to convey this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes to its Journey of Hope bicycling team; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Dominick Valenti, a member of the Journey of Hope bicycle team.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Timothy W. Jones  
District No. 89

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,  
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session,  
do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House  
Resolution No. 3705, adopted July 24, 2008.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker